

Amendments to the Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims

1-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A flexographic printing plate comprising at least one solid printing area and at least one halftone printing area, said at least one solid printing area comprising a first plurality of ink carrying cells, and said at least one halftone printing area comprising a plurality of halftone dots, at least one of said halftone dots having an ink carrying cell on a surface thereof.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) A printing plate comprising at least one solid printing area and at least one halftone printing area, said at least one solid printing area comprising a first plurality of ink carrying cells, and said at least one halftone printing area comprising halftone dots having an ink carrying cell on a surface thereof; wherein said at least one solid printing area comprises ink carrying cells at a first density and said at least one halftone printing area comprises ink cells at a second density and wherein said second density is a percentage of said first density, said percentage being a function of said halftone dot size in said at least one halftone printing area.

13. (Original) The printing plate according to claim 10 wherein said ink carrying cells in said halftone dots are centered in said halftone dots.

14. (Previously Presented) The printing plate according to claim 10 wherein said ink cells in said halftone dots have a cell size that is a function of said halftone dot size.

15. (Previously Presented) A printing plate comprising at least one solid printing area and at least one halftone printing area, said at least one solid printing area comprising a first plurality of ink carrying cells, and said at least one halftone printing area comprising halftone dots having an ink carrying cell on a surface thereof; wherein said at least one halftone printing area represents a halftone value and only halftone printing areas over a preselected halftone value comprise ink cells on a surface thereof.

16-17. (Canceled)